

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 25

8-9am: **Breakfast** in the Dining Room.

9:15am: **Planting a Pioneer Garden**  
Tour the formal garden in the Pioneer Village and learn more about gardening in the 1800s. Meet on Front Porch.

10:45am: **Door Prizes and Farewell**  
in the Lakeview Room.

*Not ready to leave yet?*

*Spend the afternoon enjoying our  
hiking trails, Nature Center, and  
Grissom Memorial.*



**MARK YOUR CALENDAR  
FOR NEXT YEAR'S  
GARDEN GALA GET-AWAY  
FEBRUARY 22-24, 2008!**



## *Upcoming 2007 Special Events*

**March 15**

Walking Stick Workshop  
Pre-registration required by March 13

**March 24**

Alien Threats to Southern Indiana Forestlands  
Pre-registration required by March 14

**April 8**

Easter Egg Hunt

**April 21**

StoneBelt Stargazers' Spring Star Party

**April 21-22**

Antique Tractor and Farm Implements Show

**April 28**

Pioneer Village: Birth to Reconstruction  
Pre-registration required by April 27

**April 29**

Heirloom Plant and Seed Exchange

**May 5**

Healthy Parks, Healthy People

**May 26-28**

Civil War Weekend

**June 2**

Meet Smokey Bear!

**June 7**

Wild Edibles Workshop  
Pre-registration required by June 5

**June 16**

StoneBelt Stargazers' Summer Star Party

## **GARDEN GALA GET-AWAY**



**FEBRUARY 23-25, 2007**

*Spring Mill State Park*

*Presented by the Spring Mill Inn &  
the Spring Mill Nature Center*



**For reservation questions:**

Spring Mill Inn  
812-849-4081 or 877-977-7464  
tchastain@dnr.IN.gov

**For programming questions:**

Nature Center  
812-849-4129  
jvance@dnr.IN.gov

## FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 23

6-8pm: **Registration Check-In** in the Inn Lobby and **Meet and Greet (with Snacks to Eat!)** in the Lakeview Room.

8-8:30pm: **Welcome and Introductions** in the Lakeview Room.

8:30-10pm: Get to know others attending the workshop while enjoying the musical sounds of "**Wildflowers and Weeds**" in the Lakeview Room.



## SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 24

7:30-9am: **Breakfast** in the Dining Room and **Registration for Late Arrivals and Saturday-Only Attendees** in the Lobby.

8:30am: **Wings on the Water... Morning Bird Hike!**

Great blue herons, green herons, Canada geese, and kingfishers are a few of the birds that utilize Spring Mill Lake (and ones we might spot today). Meet on Front Porch.

9:30am: **Honey, I Shrunk the Garden!**

Discover how to create a unique miniature garden... from containers, to plant selection, to the extra touches that make it special. Lakeview Room.

10:30am: **Toads: Garden Guardians**

Explore the role that these amphibians can play in keeping your garden pest-free and make your own "toad home" to help attract them. Lakeview Room.

11:15am: **The Good, the Bad, and the Ugly**  
Escaped garden plants are one of the biggest threats to our forests today. Learn about some of the biggest problem-makers, the "red flags" in a plant's description, and how to be a responsible gardener. Lakeview Room.

12-1pm: **Lunch** in the Dining Room.

1pm: **Woodland Walk**

See an example of what can happen when non-native, invasive plants are introduced to a garden. On this hike, we'll look a section of the park that has been taken over by periwinkle, learn how it happened, find out what the park is doing to control the situation, and discuss a few native alternatives that are safe for garden planting. Meet on Front Porch.

2pm: **Planting Workshops (choose 1)**

**A. Snip n' Eat Mint Centerpiece**

Plant a small garden to take home (a perfect centerpiece for your dining room table or outdoor patio) that features a variety of mint species. Once the mints have sprouted, you can snip off bits for garnishes, encourage guests to add sprigs to their beverages, brew a cup of tea, or get a quick pick-me-up from the scent. Elm Room.

**B. Plant the Perfect Pizza**

In this workshop, you'll plant seeds in a small, take-home garden that will grow the ingredients for a perfect pizza (just add dough and cheese!). A miniature tomato plant, basil, and oregano are a few of the ingredients that will bring out the Italian in everyone. Lakeview Room.

3-3:30pm: **Afternoon Snacks** in Lakeview.

3:30pm: **Gardening Forum**

Get answers to your questions about pests, plant selection, garden layout, and more during this question and answer session with area Master Gardeners in the Lakeview Room.

4:45pm: **Craft Workshops (choose 1)**

**A. Sundial Centerpiece**

Sundials, in some form, have been around for thousands of years. In the 1800s and early 1900s, they became the centerpiece of many formal gardens. Design your own small, concrete sundial while learning more about their history and how they work. Elm Room.

**B. Plant Markers... Naturally**

Ever forget the name of a plant in your garden? Or do you just want to dress up your flower beds with a creative touch? During this workshop, you'll craft unique plant markers out of metal & natural materials. Lakeview Room.

6-7pm: **Dinner** in the Dining Room.

7:15pm: **When Darkness Falls... Night Hike!**

Animals that are active at night have enhanced senses to compensate for the lack of light. Discover how nocturnal animals live in a dark world as we call for owls, search for frogs, and put our own senses to the test. Meet on Front Porch.

8-9:30pm: Enjoy **snacks** in the Lakeview Room while listening to a local musical group, "**Foxfire**", perform.

# GARDEN GALA GET-AWAY *Registration Form*

Registrations must be postmarked  
**no later than February 14!**

Spring Mill Inn  
PO Box 68  
Mitchell, IN 47446

1.

NAME (Please Print)

ADDRESS

CITY STATE ZIP

PHONE

NAMES OF ADDITIONAL PEOPLE ATTENDING  
IF APPLICABLE (Please Print)

2.

3.

4.

## Complete Weekend Package!

**Includes:** All programming and entertainment, a room at the Spring Mill Inn for Fri. and Sat. night, snacks on Fri. and Sat., breakfast on Sat., lunch on Sat., dinner on Sat., and breakfast on Sun.

***Saturday-Only Registration Available***

*Package rates based on 2 double beds*

\_\_\_ Smoking \_\_\_ Non-Smoking

\_\_\_ 1 person in room - \$245 total

\_\_\_ 2 people in room - \$344 total

\_\_\_ 3 people in room - \$451 total

\_\_\_ 4 people in room - \$558 total

\_\_\_ Saturday Only Registration - \$99/person

**Total Amount:** \_\_\_\_\_

Please Select a Payment Method:

\_\_\_ Visa \_\_\_ Mastercard

\_\_\_ Check (*payable to Spring Mill Inn*)

Credit Card # \_\_\_\_\_

Expiration Date \_\_\_\_\_

## *Workshop Selections*

### *Person 1*

Planting Workshop (Choose 1): \_\_\_ A \_\_\_ B

Craft Workshop (Choose 1): \_\_\_ A \_\_\_ B

### *Person 2, if applicable*

Planting Workshop (Choose 1): \_\_\_ A \_\_\_ B

Craft Workshop (Choose 1): \_\_\_ A \_\_\_ B

### *Person 3, if applicable*

Planting Workshop (Choose 1): \_\_\_ A \_\_\_ B

Craft Workshop (Choose 1): \_\_\_ A \_\_\_ B

### *Person 3, if applicable*

Planting Workshop (Choose 1): \_\_\_ A \_\_\_ B

Craft Workshop (Choose 1): \_\_\_ A \_\_\_ B